

# BAR HILL NEWS

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## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Thursday 26 April 2018

The Octagon, Bar Hill – 7.30pm

Highways England will give an update on the A14 Improvement Scheme

Village clubs and organisations are invited to give a report on what they have been doing over the year, and what is planned for the future

This is your opportunity!

Do come along, share your thoughts, support your community.

We look forward to welcoming you; refreshments served

## BAR HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION – AGM –

This will be held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 15th May in the Parish Council office.

Please consider joining the Committee to help make decisions that concern the village.

We meet only once a month on the first Tuesday of the month, at 8pm for an hour or so.

## THE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION NEEDS A TREASURER

Martin Avery, who has served as the Association's Treasurer for many years, has announced that he will retire from this honorary post at May's Annual General Meeting. The post requires only an hour or two's work and attending the monthly committee meeting each month.

For more information, contact Roger Hall, Chairman, on 01954 780304 or email [roger.hall90@ntlworld.com](mailto:roger.hall90@ntlworld.com).

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## PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

This is now available on [www.barhillpc.org.uk](http://www.barhillpc.org.uk)

Lots of information and minutes of the meetings held.

Please contact the Clerk with any questions or suggestions.

## PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

3 May 2018

Nomination forms available from the Parish Clerk

01954 780456 or South Cambs District Council

[elections@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:elections@scambs.gov.uk); 01954 713287.

Completed nomination forms to be returned to South Cambs District Council offices by 4pm on Friday 6 April 2018.

Further details posted on the Village Noticeboard and at the Parish Council Office.

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## A14 WORKS – CHANGE TO CITI 5

Stagecoach service 5 serving Bar Hill and Central Cambridge will change as a result of the works on the A14.

The current frequency from Bar Hill will reduce to half hourly. Our bus will have to travel towards Cambridge Services in order to be able to head into the city.

This will add considerable time, particularly during the peak hours and in the event of any traffic issues on the A14, to the journeys. We would advise customers to take earlier journeys in order to arrive near to the times they require.

There will updates on the Parish Council website and noticeboard.

## BAR HILL COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME

**A Voluntary Car Scheme for residents of Bar Hill.**

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For more information, please contact the Car Scheme Coordinator – Russell Brown on 07496 465330.

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*Sharon Unwin*, Practice Manager



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Many within the Bar Hill community know that I will be leaving the school at Easter in order to join Ofsted as an HMI for the eastern region. After teaching in this country since 1995 and working in school leadership for nearly 20 years, I have come to question what the education system needs locally and nationally to make things even better. A big part of my conclusions is that the education system, while needing a bit less political distraction and a bit more money, needs a bit more Bar Hill. Bar Hill is a leading school - locally, nationally and internationally - with firmly embedded values that reach back to the school's establishment 50 years ago. The school and the community it serves provide an exceptional model of education that, if bottled, could make huge change in other schools and communities.

As the school goes forward under the leadership of the new headteacher, Janette Quinn, and the governing body, I feel confident that Bar Hill School will continue to be a strong school with a very optimistic future.

*Dr. Al Mistrano*, Headteacher

## – BAR HILL TORNADOES U10 – – WHITES & BLUES –

This season has been a tale of two halves for the Whites, who have gone from strength to strength since the new year arrived, enjoying competitive games against equally matched opponents. They are currently on their longest ever unbeaten run (spanning 8 weeks thanks to the inclement weather!) which has been fantastic for building the players' confidence.

The Blues have enjoyed pitching themselves against the strongest teams in the county this season, with the players rising to the challenges this has brought. Their dedication and teamwork has brought some great footballing moments, which players and parents alike will cherish for a long time.

Looking ahead to next season when we make the step up to 9 aside, both teams are looking to recruit an extra couple of players to ensure both squads remain viable. Contact Pete Tod on 07960 064472 (Whites) or Joe Egan on 07917 071906 (Blues) if you are looking to find a team for your child – we have boys and girls from school years 4 & 5. The Blues train 6-7pm on the AstroTurf in Bar Hill each Tuesday, while the Whites train 7-8pm.

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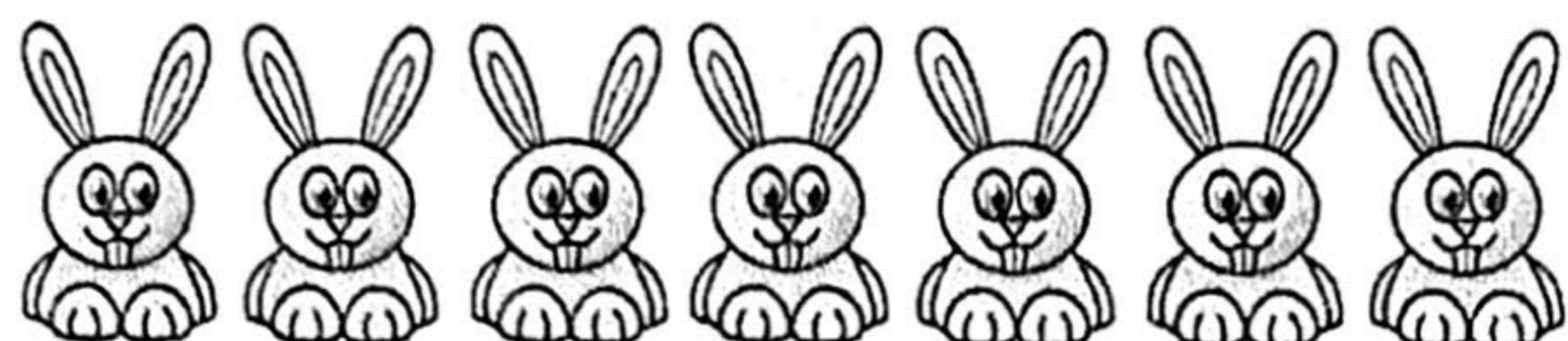


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Our first Spring Walk is on Thursday 19th April when we will visit Portholme Meadow, an ancient meadow lying in a large flood plain boarded on two sides by the river Ouse. The meadow is a haven for breeding birds, such as corn bunting and skylark and also supports a rich variety of flora. Dr. Patrick Doody will lead us for this evening's walk which will focus mainly on one of Portholme's specialities, the Snakeshead Fritillary. Pat has a wealth of knowledge about the history and natural history of this meadow and this should be a very interesting evening.

Everyone is very welcome to attend, but please note that it is likely to be wet underfoot. We will meet at 7pm at Godmanchester lock (TL 241 704). The closest parking is in Godmanchester near the Chinese Bridge.

#### The Beautiful Bluebells of Brampton Wood

We invite you to experience the delights of a carpet of bluebells in this ancient woodland, which lies on our doorstep. You are welcome to share this enchanting scene by participating in a guided walk on Sunday 29th April.

George Cottam, Warden of Brampton Wood, will lead us through a rich variety of flora. His aim will be to highlight the beautiful scent, colour and freshness of the bluebells that encapsulate the essence of a traditional English spring. We also expect to see other woodland flora such as wood anemone, primrose and dogs mercury; early butterflies such as speckled wood, brimstone and orange tip; and we will also listen for the singing of the woodland birds.

Everyone is most welcome to attend. Please meet at Brampton Wood Car Park, Grafham Road, Brampton at 10.30am. GR TL 184698. Park in the Trust car park.

#### The Beautiful Bluebells of Brampton Wood

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The timetable is as follows:

- Departures from bus stop near Tesco at 07.52, 09.43, 10.43, 11.43, 12.43, 13.43, 15.43 and 17.03.
- Return from St Ives bus station at 09.18, 10.18, 11.18, 12.18, 13.18, 15.18 and 16.18.

### — 8 O'CLOCK CLUB —

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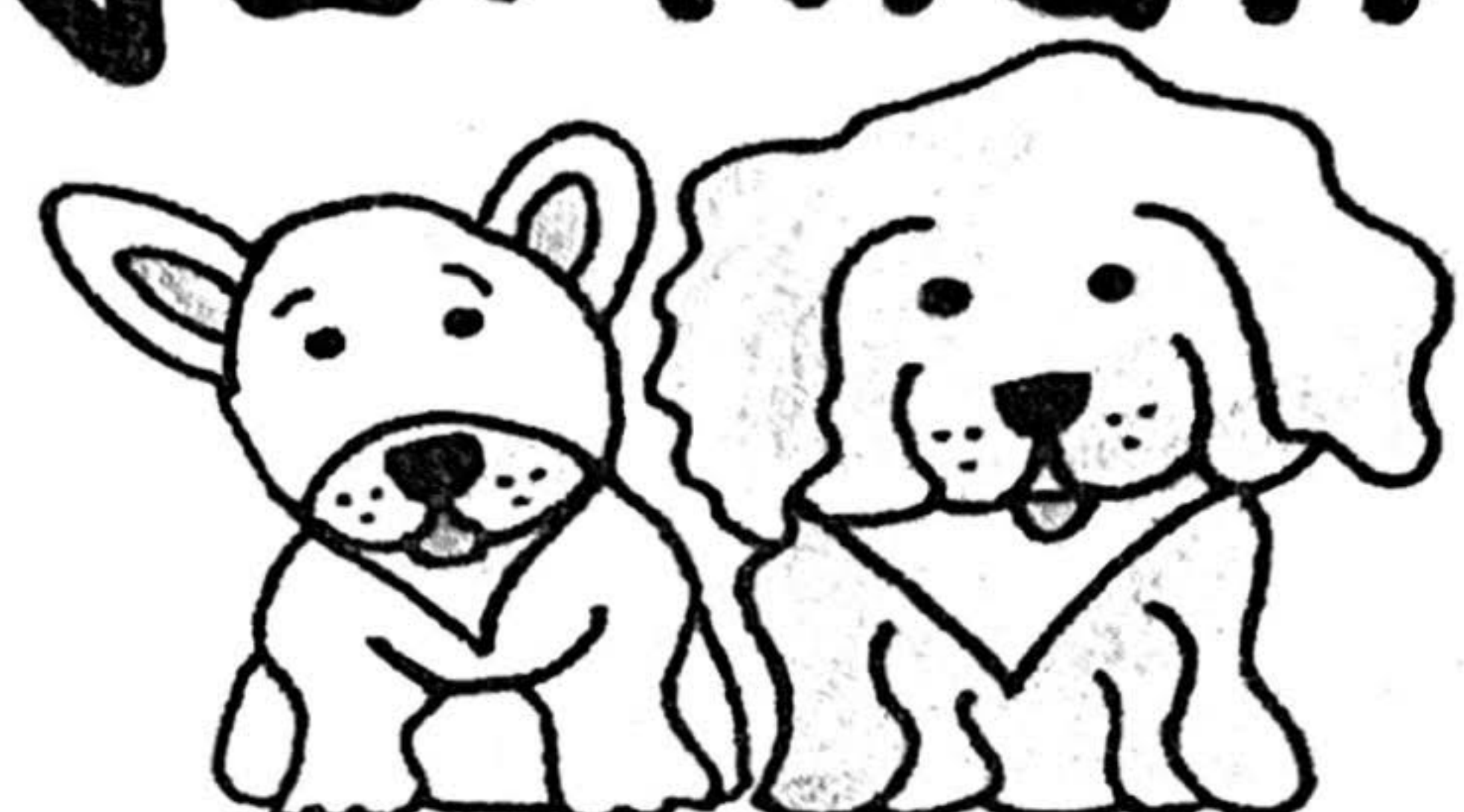
We have a variety of speakers as well as an annual garden party, birthday party and Christmas meal. Our meetings for early 2018 are as follows:–

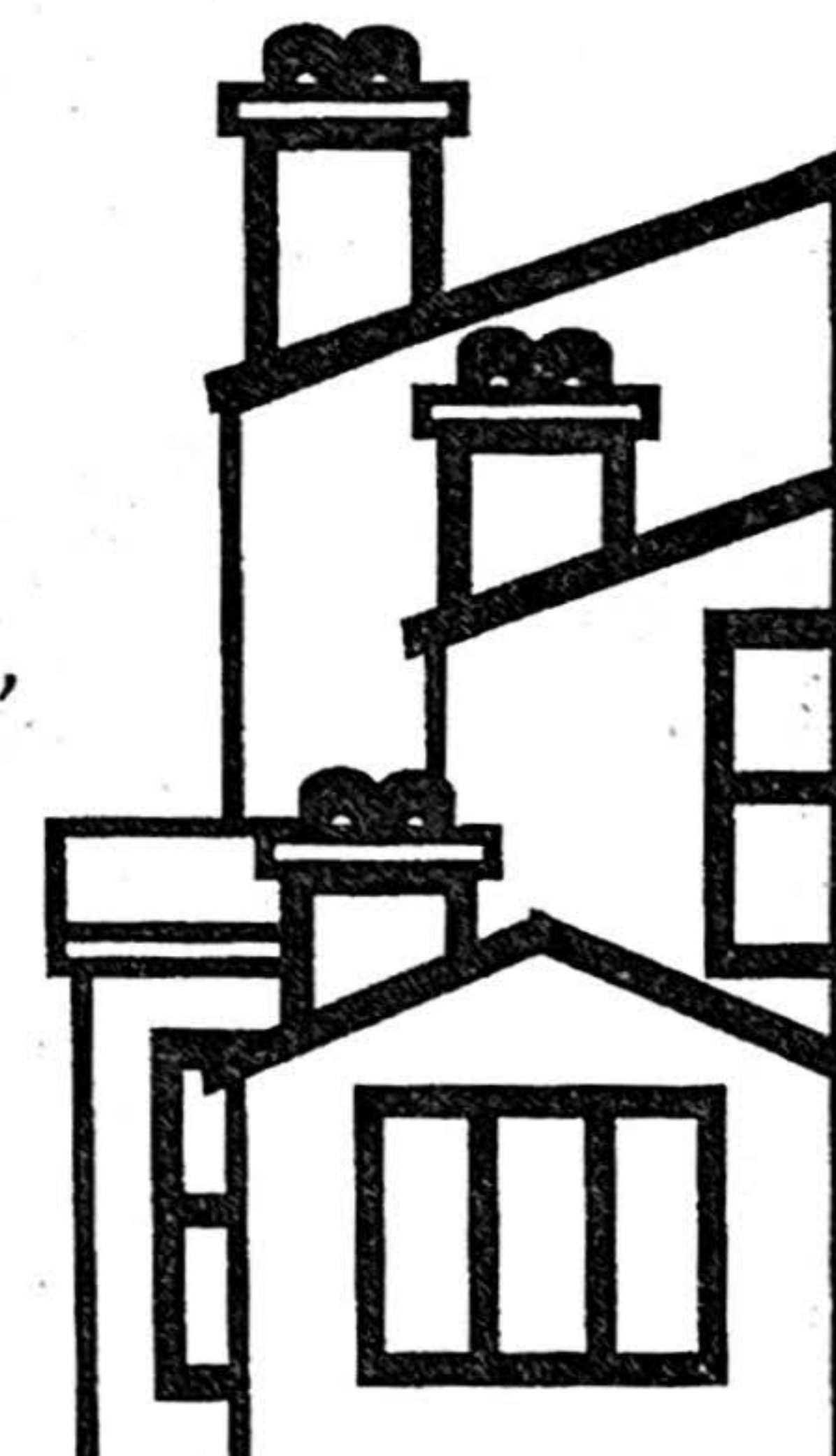
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| 5 April  | – School closed – no meeting; |
| 3 May    | – To be confirmed;            |
| 7 June   | – Growing up in the 50/60's;  |
| 2 August | – School closed – no meeting. |

If you'd like further information please phone Barbara on 01954 204171, Adela on 01954 204265, Ann on 01954 204687, or come along to one of our meetings. We'd be very pleased to meet you.



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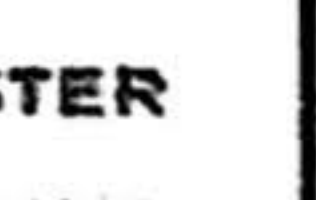
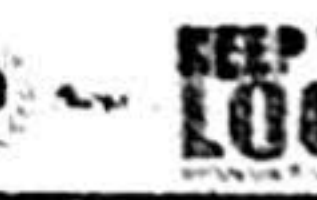
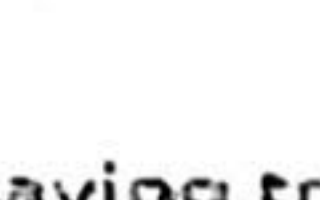
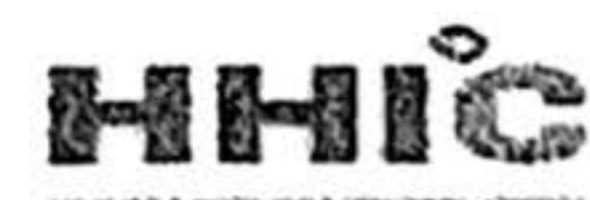
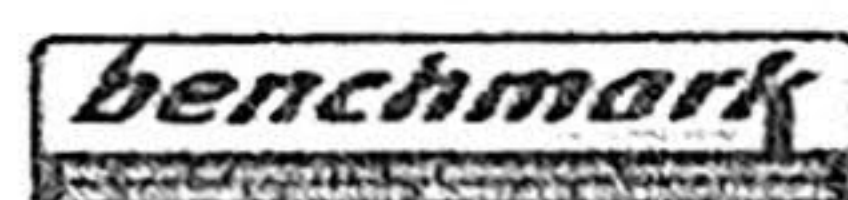
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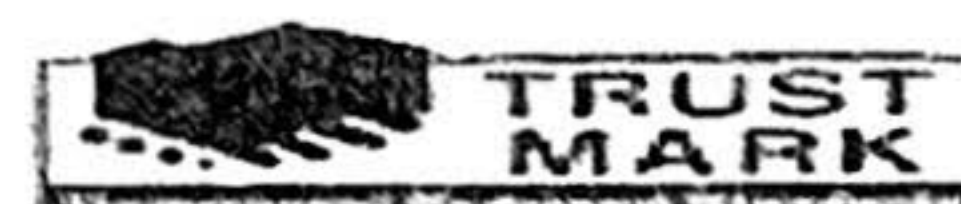


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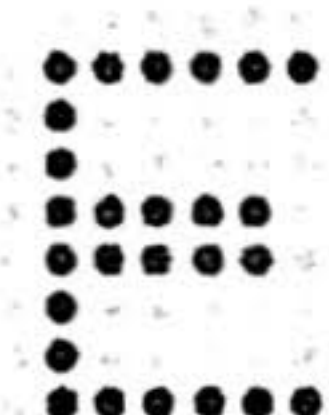
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## — COUNCILLOR NOTES —

### South Cambs Magazine

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### Research into Housing for Older People

Research commissioned by South Cambridgeshire District Council, is providing new insights into the issue of older people's housing.

Researchers working closely with SCDC, Cambridge City Council and Cambridgeshire County Council, with funding from NHS England's Healthy New Towns programme, suggests there will be major shortages in specialist housing in many local authorities in coming years.

The research uses national data from the Elderly Accommodation Counsel (EAC) about the majority of older people's housing schemes in England.

Looking specifically at the local authorities with the highest level of supply, the research explored some of the factors associated with this, and how future social and demographic trends will affect demand for such housing in local areas.

The research has led to the creation of a new tool called the Housing for Older People Supply Recommendations (HOPSR). This provides local authorities with recommendations about the number of units of age-exclusive housing, specialist housing and care beds that will be needed in future years, and enables users to test different future scenarios. These recommendations are intended to stimulate discussion at a local level about how best to meet the needs of an ageing population.

The research revealed that the supply of specialist housing in Greater Cambridge will need to be 80% higher by 2035, compared to current levels, and with significant increases also required in age-exclusive housing and care beds.

Across England there is a recommendation for an additional 783,500 units of specialist housing, with 88 per cent of local authorities likely to require at least 1,000 additional units. If you should need further information or advice or we can help in any way, please contact us on:

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## — HEIDI ALLEN MP —

Well, the Beast from the East certainly visited us in South Cambs at the end of February. I'm ashamed to say I couldn't actually get my car off the drive one particularly icy day ... no lady driver comments please!

I continue to focus on promoting all the infrastructure improvements we need. This includes the new railway station at Addenbrooke's, the A428 expressway (Highways England must include the Girton interchange as part of this project) and the East West Rail link.

In Parliament, I recently introduced a Bill which aims to improve the way the Child Maintenance Service (CMS) works, so on 20th February, I met the responsible Minister Kit Malthouse MP.

The CMS took over from the Child Support Agency a few years ago and following meetings with constituents, it became clear that improvements needed to be made to the new CMS. At my request, the Work and Pensions Select Committee, of which I am a member, conducted an investigation into the way the CMS was working for children and their parents.

My Bill seeks to close the legislative loopholes that allow a minority of parents to avoid paying their child maintenance and to provide the CMS with stronger enforcement powers. If you'd like to read more, please see the headline page on my website.

The Bill will have its Second Reading on the 27th April and I am encouraged by the Minister's willingness to work with me.

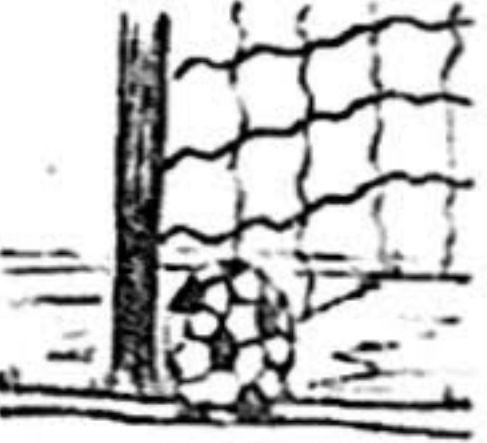
Sadly, the bad weather meant my last surgery was cancelled. I will be holding a normal "drop in" surgery at Caldecote Primary School, Highfields Rd, Highfields Caldecote, CB23 7NX on the 21st April between 10am and 12pm where no appointment will be necessary. Details of all upcoming surgeries can be found on my website – [www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk](http://www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk).

To contact me, please email

[heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk). You can also phone my Westminster office on 020 7219 5091 about national issues or my constituency office on 01223 830037 for local concerns.

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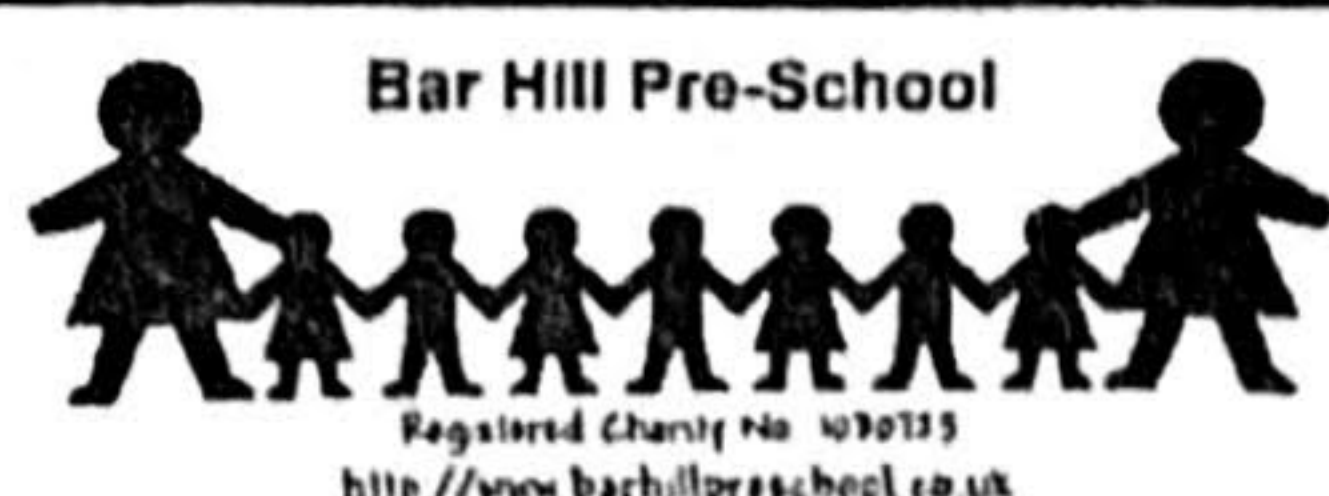
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## — COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT —

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Over the past 8 years the library service has become ever more resourceful and has made savings of more than £4million but whilst it has managed to keep all its libraries open, other things like the book fund have suffered. This year the Council is hoping to reinstate £230,000 of funding for this purpose. This and the need to secure the future viability of the service have resulted in suggestions for various ways of generating income: room and facility hire, chargeable events at some libraries, increasing fees and charges and, most controversially, the introduction of charges for computer access. The proposal is to introduce a £1 per hour charge for computer use by adults [anyone over 18] following an initial free half hour. The Council intends to ensure that essential online transactions can be carried out free of charge. It is also intended that libraries will promote the free courses available from the Skills & Learning service to help people develop digital skills and to support Job Centre Plus claimants.

There has been criticism that this change conflicts with one of the main objectives of libraries, that of them being a place which gives universal access to information and thus helps to level inequalities.

The new rules will come into force in April and the Council will review how things are working in September. I would think that the review will include a survey of users but in the meanwhile please do let me know if you experience problems. NHS England is currently asking for information about individual experiences of using out of hours dental care. This is to help in planning for a new out of hours dental service for the County, the contract for which will start from April 2019. If you have had a recent experience of using the out of hours emergency dental care service and would be willing to share the details you can do so at:

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### — SCAM OF THE MONTH —



Please note there have been a significant number of Action Fraud Reports relating to this fraud.

**Method** – fraudsters cold-call victims, falsely claiming to be from the Telephone Preference Service. They say for a small one-off charge they can stop unwanted calls, including from international call centres. Victims are asked to confirm/provide their bank account details.

**Result** – instead of a one-off charge, victims see unauthorised monthly debits deducted from their account. If victims attempt to ring the number provided by the fraudster, it is unobtainable or requests to cancel the direct debit are refused.

**Protect Yourself** – there is only one Telephone Preference Service (TPS) to opt out of live telesales calls.

It is FREE to register [www.tpsonline.org.uk](http://www.tpsonline.org.uk) and they will never make a charge.

Be wary of providing/confirming personal information, especially bank details, during any phone calls you have not initiated.

If you ever have any doubts, hang up.

**Protect Others** – fraudsters often target elderly victims so keep warning elderly neighbours and family about the potential dangers of all cold calls.

If you have been affected by this, or any other type of fraud, report it to Action Fraud by visiting [www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk) or by calling 0300 123 2040.

### — NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH — DOORSTEP SELLING – BEWARE!



I had a report recently of a door to door window salesperson calling around Bar Hill whose methods raised suspicions. In general, the police advise against buying from cold callers. Instead, ask for recommendations from friends and family, and get quotes to compare prices and details.

**It's your doorstep – saying No is not impolite, it's your right.**

**\*\* So have the confidence to say**

- you do not buy goods or services at the door;
- you like to shop around and get quotes;
- you have to discuss it with your partner/son etc.

**\*\* Don't be rushed or pressured with fancy talk.**

**\*\* Don't be panicked by alarmist concerns about the condition of your house – they're rarely true and why should you believe a total stranger?**

**\*\* Be highly suspicious of 'an exceptional offer only available today' or 'a special deal just for you'; they say that to everyone!**

**\*\* Remember, if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is!**

**\*\* You are encouraged to immediately report concerns about suspicious callers on 101. This might protect a vulnerable person.**

If you would like a 'We do not buy or sell at the door' sticker for yourself and/or a potentially vulnerable neighbour, email [nhwinbarhill@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:nhwinbarhill@yahoo.co.uk) or ring 01954 201001.

*Pam Vendy, Village Co-ordinator*

### — RSPB FEN DRAYTON LAKES —

#### Spring Events 2018

Spring into action at our nature reserves! We are running the following activities at our reserves during Spring

**Spring Willow Weaving Workshop** Sunday 13 May 10am-4pm. Make a garden obelisk about six feet high to grow climbing plants such as runner beans/sweet peas. Booking is essential. Non-member £25, RSPB member £20.

**Wild Challenge** Sun 29 April, Sun 6 May, Mon 28 May 10am-4pm. Go lake dipping and bug hunting to discover the magnificent minibeasts that call our reserve home. Non-member £2, RSPB member £1.50.

**Birds for Beginners** Sunday 20 May 10am-2pm (including a stop for lunch). Go wander around the reserve to find out how to identify, and learn about, different songbirds/passerines. Booking is essential. Non-member £8, RSPB member £6.50.

Sunday 20 May: 7.30am-9.30am Friday 22 June: 6.30pm-8.30pm. Join an Ouse Fen warden for an exclusive behind the scenes tour of the Hanson-RSPB wetland project. See how the reserve progresses from a hole in the ground to a thriving reed bed with marsh harriers, bitterns and bearded tits. To book please email [hannah.bernie@rspb.org.uk](mailto:hannah.bernie@rspb.org.uk) or phone 01954 233263 or 07590 486015. Non-member £30, RSPB member £24 per person.

How to contact us: E: [fendraytonlakes@rspb.org.uk](mailto:fendraytonlakes@rspb.org.uk); T: 01954 233260.

The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) is a registered charity.

### BAR HILL TENNIS CLUB – 2018 AGM

We remain in need of new members to help ensure the continuing success of the Club so before the new season begins we invite all existing and potential new members to our Annual General Meeting which will be held this year on **Thursday 5th April 2018 at 7.30pm in The Fox Public House**. Everyone is welcome to attend even if you are just interested in hearing more about the Club. If you are unable to attend but would like more information please contact Paul Chubbuck.

We invite all current, lapsed and new members to come along and play on the courts. Please encourage your family, neighbours and friends to come down to our club social nights to play some tennis. We welcome players of **all** abilities. Tennis is an excellent way to keep fit and enjoy the summer evenings in a relaxed and friendly environment.

Our Adult Club nights are Tuesdays and Thursdays 7 to 9pm and Club nights start Tuesday 17th April 2018. We look forward to seeing you!

#### Contacts:

Paul Chubbuck, Secretary, 01954 781688;  
Mobile 07983 435104; [paul.chubbuck62@gmail.com](mailto:paul.chubbuck62@gmail.com)  
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For more information, give us a call or visit the website: [www.barhilltennisclub.co.uk](http://www.barhilltennisclub.co.uk)



### — FRIENDS OF THE ROSIE —

We had a good talk "A History of Maternity Services in Cambridge" from Hilary Ritchie, the Archivist at our AGM today. More details can be found on our website.



The Friends of the Rosie Hospital are raising money to help make the Rosie a more comfortable environment for mothers and babies. In 2017 we spent £10,783.75 on cool bags for the district midwives. Reclining chairs for tired Dads. A sophisticated teaching mannequin. Money for re-equipping the delivery rooms. Dolls of every ethnicity for the midwives to use for breastfeeding training plus knitted breasts from Rosie in Stitches. These dolls and breasts will be crucial for The Rosie's application for "UNICEF level 3".

The St Ivo Young Entrepreneurs chose The Rosie Hospital as their charity to support. They came third in a school competition and donated £386.16. The Tea Bar raised £2,500 and Rosie in Stitches raised £2,000.

Ann Laskey appealed for more regular volunteers to help in the Tea Bar.

**Upcoming Stall dates this spring**

**Tea Bar, Rosie Hospital Outpatient Clinic**

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### — BAR HILL CRICKET CLUB —



By the time you read this, we would have taken part in our Cricket Force event, ensuring all our equipment and machinery is spruced up and ready for action. As for the players, the state of readiness may be more questionable!

We know the youth team will be ready for their first match, which is scheduled for Thursday 3rd May. They have been given their club kit and will look the part when they take to the field for the club's first league youth match in several years.

The youth training sessions on the village green are just about to get under way – keep an eye on our website for more information or contact me on the number below.

We will have a warm-up friendly against Girton on Sunday 22nd April and our first adult league match is at home to Bassingbourn on Saturday 5th May.

The first Cambridge Business Houses (midweek) League match is scheduled for Tuesday 22nd May at home to Invoke. These games consist of 15, eight-ball overs and start around 6pm, making them attractive to those who can't make weekend matches.

Anyone interested in playing for the club in any form of cricket, please contact me on the number below.

Finally, we'd like to extend our thanks to Andy Kent from Andy's Kars, who has once again serviced our roller and precision mower in readiness for the work on the pitch which we will need to do between now and those fixtures.

For more information about the club, visit

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*Paul Stimpson* 01954 201212



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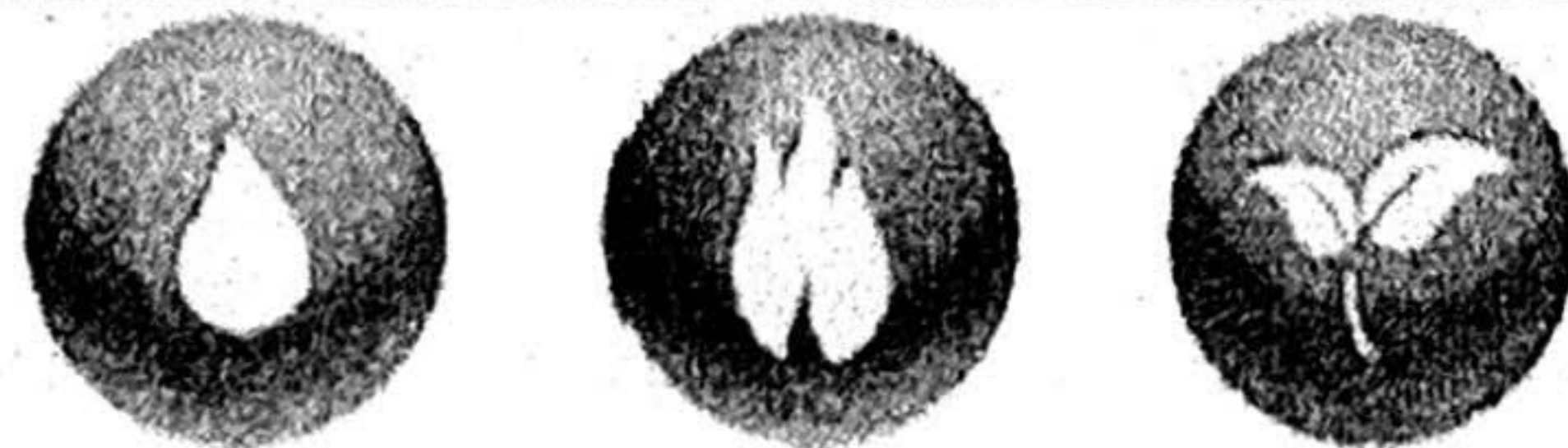
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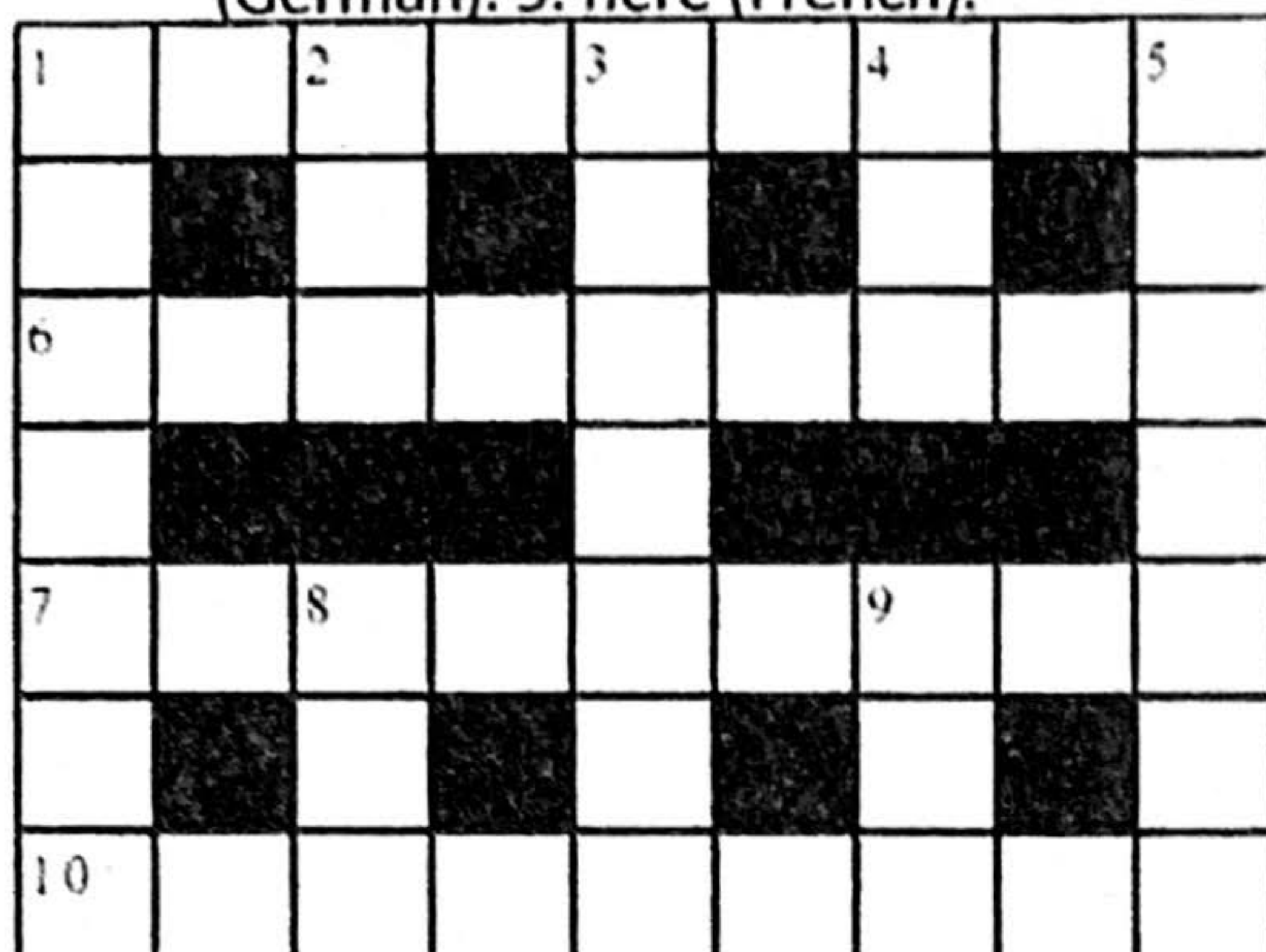




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6. unspoilt. 7. not quite Andante.  
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(4, 5 & 7).

Down: 1. dessert sticks. 2. --- & chips. 3. see  
10 across. 4. piece of gearing.  
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|                                          | Church office                                     | 01954 206120  |
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| Bar Hill Community Car Scheme            |                                                   | 07496 465330  |
| Bar Hill Cricket Club                    | Paul Stimpson                                     | 01954 201212  |
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29th March Photography and Cameras – share a photo you have taken with the group.

12th April Planning Meeting – plus what makes you feel good, chocolate, a long walk, family or anything else? Tell us why

26th April Speaker – Chris Barber, speaking about the costume department at the Festival and Arts Theatres

10th May Romania – NWR theme for the year

The Bar Hill NWR group meets informally in members' homes on alternate Thursday evenings at 8pm. We pay an annual fee of £23 and just £1 per meeting to cover local costs. If you would like more information or someone to accompany you to a meeting, please don't hesitate to call Marie-Thérèse Last on 01954 780329 or Bobby Colver on 01954 781662.

NWR can also be found on [www.nwr.org.uk](http://www.nwr.org.uk).

Why not have a look!

— HAPPY HOURS —

Our Club meets most Mondays in the Octagon building of Bar Hill Church from 11am–3pm, with coffee, tea and light lunches. Our Winter menu consists of soup and a roll, baked potato with butter (£1.50 each) or filled baked potatoes (*cheese, tuna mayo or baked beans*) or a ploughman's lunch (£2.30 each).

Our aim is to provide friendship and companionship, so why not come along and give us a try? You can have a good old natter, a game or two, or enjoy other various activities. We would welcome new members.

**Coming up...**

2nd April: NO Happy Hours

9th April: Supermarket Wars

16th April: Various Games

23rd April: St. George's Day

30th April: Play Your Cards Right

*Anne Plumb*, 01954 780364

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Refreshments: Soup & bread at lunchtime.

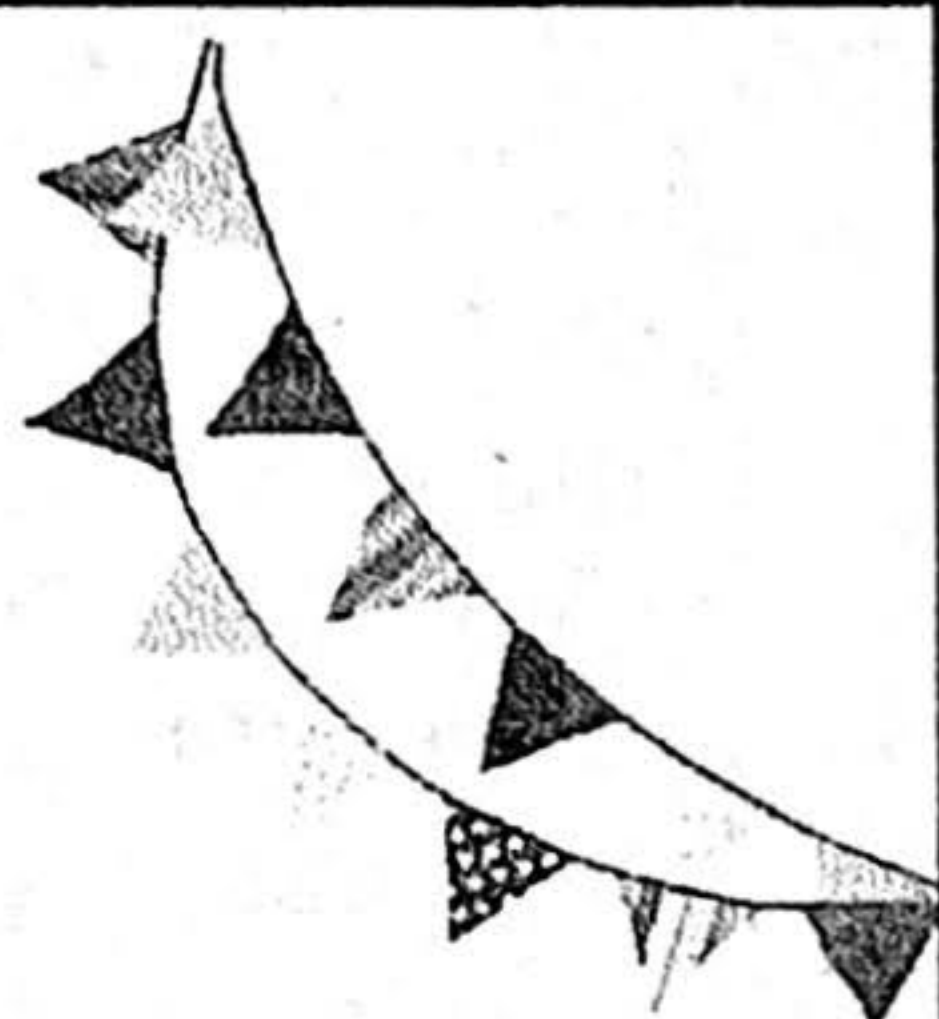
BBQ weather permitting.

If you wish to be part of the market please contact

Karen Austen 01954 781085.

e-mail: [bar.hill.community.market@gmail.com](mailto:bar.hill.community.market@gmail.com)

Facebook: Bar Hill Community Market



**BAR HILL BOOK CLUB**

Tuesday 24th April at 7.30pm in the Bar Hill Sports and Social Club, The Spinney, Bar Hill.

Please join our friendly group, we offer a lovely welcome, good company and great book choices.

Let me know if you would like to join us and I will arrange a warm welcome.

[sheilafarrar@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sheilafarrar@hotmail.co.uk); Tel/Text: 07920 558319

**FOR SALE**

Ladies Green Leather Jacket 3/4 length with Black Fur-Trim Hood. Size 10-12. £70.00 ono

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— HEALTH AND WELLBEING CLUB —

Held on the second Tuesday of the month between 2–4pm in Tesco Community Room, the group focuses on aspects of promoting and maintaining good health in every area.

We start with a chair based exercise activity followed by advice from Tesco's departments.

This is a unique and friendly group and is an ideal place to meet new people.

Next meetings: 10th April.

For further information, contact Wendy Arrowsmith on 01954 781381.

**PLAYPALS BABY AND TODDLER GROUP**

Meet Wednesdays and Fridays\*

At Bar Hill Church Octagon

9:45–11.15 am

\*Term-time

Under 1s £1.50; Over 1s £2.50; Family £3.50.

Your first session free!

Can you help? We are looking for kitchen volunteers to give an hour of time during our sessions to help prepare snacks and drinks. If you are interested please contact:

[helen.j.bishop@gmail.com](mailto:helen.j.bishop@gmail.com)



## — EVENTS CALENDAR —

| date     | event                                         | where                   | time         |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| 29 March | NWR – Photography and Cameras (page 3)        |                         | 8pm          |
| 30 March | Singer Nicole Lawrence and cocktails (page 8) | BHSSC                   |              |
| 1 April  | Egg Hunt (page 8)                             | BHSSC                   | 2pm          |
| 1 April  | Karaoke (page 8)                              | BHSSC                   | 8pm          |
| 2 April  | NO Happy Hours (page 3)                       |                         |              |
| 5 April  | Tennis Club AGM (page 25)                     | The Fox                 | 7.30pm       |
| 7 April  | Community Market (page 3)                     | Octagon                 | 10.30am–2pm  |
| 7 April  | Rosie at the Community Market (page 26)       | Octagon                 | 10.30am–2pm  |
| 7 April  | Storytime (page 5)                            | Library                 | 10.30am      |
| 8 April  | Cambridge Gliding Centre Open Day (page 4)    | Gransden Lodge Airfield | 10am–5pm     |
| 9 April  | Happy Hours—Supermarket Wars (page 3)         | Octagon                 | 11am–3pm     |
| 10 April | Health and Wellbeing Club (page 3)            | Tesco Community Room    | 2–4pm        |
| 10 April | Dry Drayton W.I. (page 4)                     | CB23 8DD                | 2.30pm       |
| 12 April | NWR – Planning Meeting (page 3)               |                         | 8pm          |
| 14 April | Quorn Family Tennis Cup (page 4)              | Longstanton Tennis Club | 10am–12 noon |
| 16 April | Happy Hours—various games (page 3)            | Octagon                 | 11am–3pm     |
| 19 April | Wildlife Trust—Portholme Meadow (page 16)     |                         | 7pm          |
| 21 April | Storytime (page 5)                            | Library                 | 10.30am      |
| 21 April | Reed Bed Safari (page 25)                     | RSPB Ouse Fen           | 8–10am       |
| 23 April | Happy Hours—St George's Day (page 3)          | Octagon                 | 11am–3pm     |
| 24 April | Bar Hill Book Club (page 3)                   | BHSSC                   | 7.30pm       |
| 24 April | Dry Drayton Art Group evening (page 4)        | CB23 8DD                | 7.30pm       |
| 25 April | Scouts event (page 30)                        | Scout Hut               | 6.15–7.30pm  |
| 26 April | NWR – Speaker – Chris Barber (page 3)         |                         | 8pm          |
| 28 April | Swavesey Camera Club Exhibition (page 22)     | CB24 4QU                | 10am–5pm     |
| 29 April | Wildlife Trust—Brampton Wood (page 16)        |                         | 10.30am      |
| 30 April | Happy Hours—Play your cards right (page 3)    | Octagon                 | 11am–3pm     |
| 5 May    | Community Market (page 3)                     | Octagon                 | 10.30am–2pm  |
| 6 May    | Wildlife Trust—Brampton Wood (page 16)        |                         | 2.30pm       |
| 10 May   | NWR – Romania (page 3)                        |                         | 8pm          |

### JOIN THE ADVENTURE

We are going to re-open our Scout Troop!

Do you have 1½ to 2 hours a week and like adventure? Then this could be for you!

What: An open evening of activities for girls and boys aged 5¾ to 14, and information for parent and carers.

We are looking for 4 or 5 leaders to join our team to help restart the Troop.

No experience of scouting is required – all training is provided.

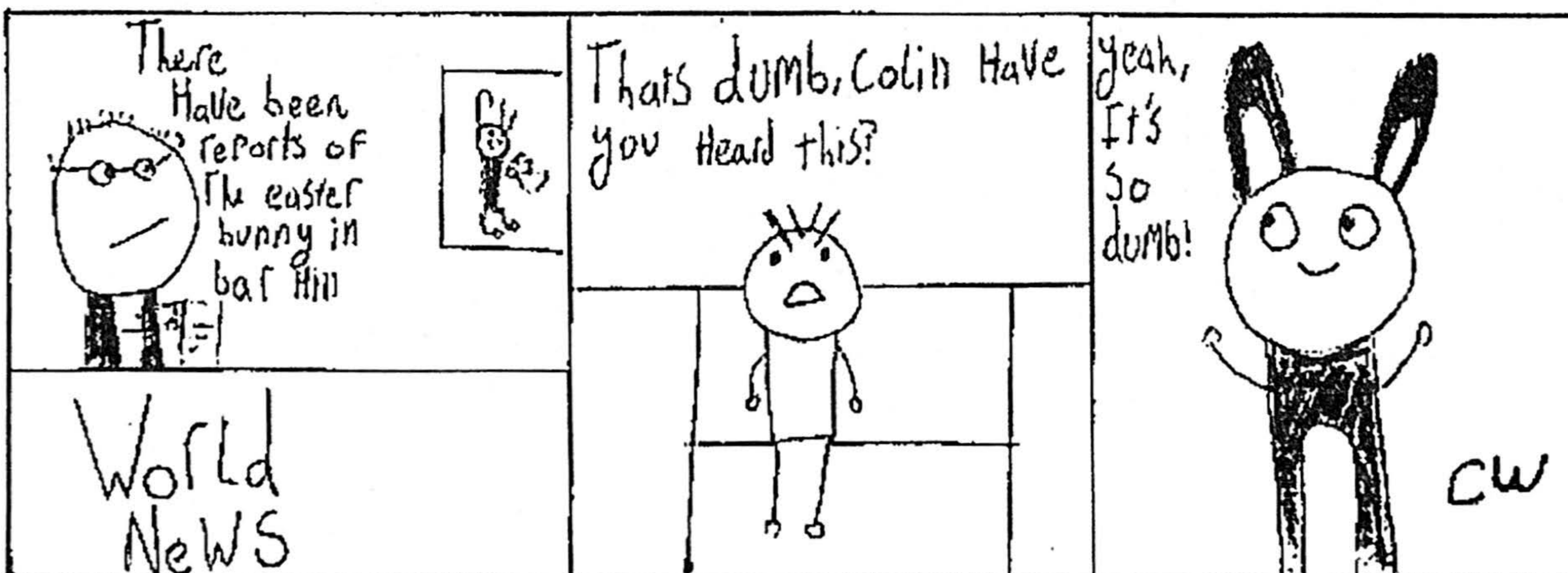
Parents / carers must come with children.

Where: Bar Hill Scout Hut, next to the village hall, The Spinney, Bar Hill

When: Wednesday 25th April 6.15 to 7.30pm

Contact: Marina Deller 07905 477944

Email: [marina.deller@craftshillscouts.org.uk](mailto:marina.deller@craftshillscouts.org.uk)



### did you know

Ostriches are often not taken seriously. But they can run faster than a horse, the males roar like lions. And they don't bury their heads in sand.



## — LETTER —

*Dear Editor*

I feel I have to write to express my own and many other residents utter sadness and disgust at the decimation of the hedgerow along the Spine Path at Hillcrest following recent maintenance work.

This beautiful wild hedgerow which did not appear to be in any particular need of any work or attention has rather than just be cutback or tidied been completely ripped out for a 50 metre stretch. What was a fantastic habitat for wildlife, home to countless songbirds and animals including hedgehogs has been totally destroyed and amounts to little more than wanton vandalism.

Sadly it will take years for the hedge to grow back to anything like it was, and the damage to the grass along the path from having a tractor driven over it leaving deep ruts will not repair itself unless it receives some proper attention. What was a lovely hedgerow enjoyed by pedestrians along the path, home to wildlife, and a natural barrier between the houses is now an ugly eyesore.

When asked what they were doing a contractor replied they had been told to tidy the hedge before the 1st March which is classed as bird nesting season. Sadly following its destruction the birds will now be completely unable to nest in it anyway! I do appreciate the Parish Council is under obligation to maintain the hedgerows around the village but the work done in this case has been well over the top and to be quite frank a total disgrace. I really hope the Parish council does not have any future plans for ripping out hedgerows and in the future better briefs its contractors.

Yours sincerely

*Mr J Phillips*, Hillcrest Resident

### DRY DRAYTON ART GROUP

presents A Water Colour Demonstration Evening

With Bill Newton, well know local artist

Tuesday 24th April at 7.30pm

in Dry Drayton Village Hall. CB23 8DD

Tickets £7, including wine and refreshments, from Gill

Russell T: 01954 780897, E: [hbrussell@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:hbrussell@tiscali.co.uk).

For more information contact Jan Hewins: 01954 201495.

**BICYCLE REPAIRS & SERVICING – 07914 655086**

### AIRFIELD ROAD

Some individuals are spreading rumours that the Airfield Road will be shut extremely soon. I can only assume that they have based their rumours on statements made at the January meeting of the Northstowe Community Forum. As I made clear in my email of 18 February, the Homes and Communities Agency have subsequently confirmed to me that the road cannot be closed without the statutory 28 day consultation process taking place. As yet I have heard no date for the start of this process.

If anyone has solid information to the contrary, please could they contact me so I can correct this statement.

Alex – [alex@alexrileywines.co.uk](mailto:alex@alexrileywines.co.uk)

### QUORN FAMILY TENNIS CUP

on Saturday 14th April from 10am–12 noon

Looking for a sport to play with your kids? Longstanton Tennis Club will be holding its first ever Quorn Family Tennis Cup on Saturday 14th April.

Entry is FREE, open to everyone and there are great prizes and giveaways on offer. Sign up now

<http://bit.ly/QuornCup>

This is an LTA event being run by tennis clubs across the country. Teams consist of any child born 1 September 2007 or later playing with an adult member of the family.

The prize for the winning pair is a day out at a Quorn Family Tennis Cup event, held on the qualifying weekend of an LTA grass court major event in June. Each pair will have the chance to play against other winners on the day as well as watch the professional players in action!

[www.longstantontennis.co.uk](http://www.longstantontennis.co.uk)

### CAMBRIDGE GLIDING CENTRE OPEN DAY

Sunday 8th April, 10am–5pm.

Come and visit Gransden Lodge Airfield to find out about the sport of gliding. All welcome. Trial flights with our qualified instructors available on a first-come, first-fly basis (subject to weather). Refreshments. Free admission, aircraft displays and talks about gliding. To fly in a glider you must be 13+ and weigh no more than 103Kg.

Airfield entrance on B1046 between Little Gransden & Longstowe, opposite Gransden Lodge Farm (enter SG19 3EB into your SatNav).

More information: <http://www.camgliding.uk/> or via

Facebook: <https://tinyurl.com/cgc-2018-openday>

### DRY DRAYTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Our W.I. meets at 2.30pm on the second Tuesday of every month in the Village Hall, High Street, Dry Drayton.

Our future programme is:

10th April Mrs Jane Kennedy – British Sign Language

8th May Mrs Helen Green – the History of Salt

12th June Mrs Sylvie Short – the Village of the Two Churches of Swafham Prior

Visitors are always welcome – £5

Contacts: Huguette 01954 781484

Alice 01954782497

### Little Kickers

Approved football training for kids aged  
18 months to their 7th birthday.

Classes are running at Bar Hill Village Hall and all around Cambridgeshire.

For information, or to arrange a free taster class, contact Ashley at Little Kickers South and East Cambridgeshire on:

T: 07928 765121; E: [ajordan@littlekickers.co.uk](mailto:ajordan@littlekickers.co.uk).

W: [www.littlekickers.co.uk](http://www.littlekickers.co.uk).

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/LKCambridgeshire](http://www.facebook.com/LKCambridgeshire).



— BAR HILL PARISH COUNCIL —



Sue Bell, Parish Clerk: 01954 780456

e-mail: [clerk@barhillpc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@barhillpc.org.uk)

Please note that the office is normally open to residents between 10am and 12noon, Monday to Wednesday.

Our new website is open: [www.barhillpc.org.uk](http://www.barhillpc.org.uk).

#### A14 Closures

Mr Pettipher and Mr Evans attended the March Environment and Amenities Committee meeting to talk about the future road closures and progress with the A14 Improvement Scheme.

The bridge over the A14 and Hattons Road will be closed from 3 to 10 April (ie immediately after Easter public holidays) to all traffic, day and night. This is essential while temporary slips road are built/tied in.

Diversions will operate, access from Bar Hill to Cambridge will be A14 to Swavesey junction to turn and head back East. Traffic wanting to come into Bar Hill from Huntingdon will access by coming in from Cambridge direction, ie go up to the Dry Drayton junction and come back. Traffic from Longstanton/Willingham/Earith will need to avoid Hattons Road and the bridge by taking a route to pick up the A14 from the Cambridge direction.

Highways England will be releasing information, posters, leaflets, and road signs will be put up beforehand.

More information on progress, how the new local road giving nearby villages the option of getting in and out of Cambridge without using the A14, and expected closures will be available to residents when Highways England attend the Annual Parish Meeting on 26 April – do come along. A mobile Archeology bus is planned for Thursday 29 March 2018 from 10.30am to 4pm on Tesco Car Park.

#### Lost Property

A number of bicycles have been cleared up after being dumped in the stream and other locations around the village and remain unclaimed. We also have a number of smaller items, spectacles, walking stick, keys etc Please contact the Clerk by noon on Monday 16th April to reclaim – items will be disposed of after that date.

#### Village Green Drainage

The Council is concerned about the pool of water at the bottom of the Village Green which has not drained away this year. This is being investigated to find the cause/invest in improvements.

#### Inconsiderate Parking

We receive a number of complaints about obstruction for footway users in many of the residential areas. This makes it dangerous for pedestrians, especially children, pushchairs, and mobility scooter users. Please use your driveways and garages wherever possible. Anyone with concerns should report at the time direct to <http://tinyurl.com/SouthCambs-Parking> stating street, nature and effect of problem including vehicle registrations, dates, times path, verge etc. Vehicles should not park on verges nor green spaces maintained by the Council. The District Council urges residents to not cause an obstruction or restrict access for the bin lorries.

#### Spring – Grasscutting

The new contractor will commence shortly. Please help us by ensuring there are no obstructions or debris restricting access for grasscutting activities.

#### Handy telephone numbers/contact details:

Cambs County Council: Births, deaths and marriages; buses; consumer protection; education; libraries; public health; recycling and waste; roads and highways; social care; street lighting; trading standards; transport and travel.  
Tel 01223 717111

South Cambs District Council: Building control; business rates; car parks; council tax; elections and voter registrations; environmental health; housing and homelessness; leisure centres; licensing; pest control; planning; refuse/bin collection; street cleaning

Tel 03450 450500 <https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/council/contact-us/not-sure-which-council-to-contact/>

To report issues on footpaths, public rights of way, and roads <https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/travel-roads-and-parking/roads-and-pathways/roadworks-and-faults>

Tel 01223 717111

Streetlight maintenance <http://www.lightingcambridgeshire.com/contact-us/report-fault.htm>

or enquiries@lightingcambridgeshire.com Tel 0800 7838 247. You will need to give the number on the lamp post Cambridge Water Company (water supply)

<http://www.cambridge-water.co.uk> Tel 0800 316 7676

Anglian Water (waste water)

<http://www.anglianwater.co.uk/> Tel 0800 145 145

— STORYTIME AT BAR HILL LIBRARY —



Come to the Library to join in stories, songs and craft activities for pre-readers from 10.30am on 7 April and 21 April. Small children and their parents or carers are invited to Storytime twice every month. This free event led by local volunteers introduces young children to their local library and reveals to them all that is to be gained from learning to read.

— COMBERTON RAMBLERS —

Do you want to keep healthy? Meet friendly interesting people? Enjoy nature and the outdoors? Spend a Sunday morning out in the open? Enjoy the fresh outside air? Join us in a walk and see if you like it! We give you 2 free walks and if you like us we would appreciate that you become a fully paid up member. Membership fee is £8.50 per person.

For further details please contact Stella: T: 01954 210049; E: [stella.ramblers@hotmail.com](mailto:stella.ramblers@hotmail.com).

— GIRLGUIDING IN BAR HILL —



Run by an incredible team of adult volunteers, our groups support over 120 girls locally. All our meetings are packed with age appropriate activities for girls to participate in and try out, including

badge challenges, crafts, games, outings, sleepovers, pack holidays, international trips and community work!

If you would like to join the fun, please e-mail:

[barhillguiding@icloud.com](mailto:barhillguiding@icloud.com) or you can register online:

<https://enquiryym.girlguiding.org.uk>.

Sarah Rivers, Commissioner



## — Bar Hill Church —

### Services during April

Sunday 1 April      6:35 am    Sunrise Service (venue TBA)  
(Easter Day)      10:00 am    Holy Communion (Anglican)  
Sunday 8 April      10:00 am    All-Together Worship  
Wednesday 11 April 10:00 am    Midweek Holy Communion  
Sunday 15 April      10:00 am    Holy Communion (Reformed)  
Wednesday 18 April 3:15pm      Messy Church (in the Octagon)  
Sunday 22 April      8:00 am    Holy Communion  
                                 10:00 am    Morning Worship (Palm Sunday)  
Sunday 29 April      10:00 am    Quaker Service



### Social Calendar for April

Tuesday 3 April—Thursday 5 April Holiday at Home in the Octagon

(Contact Sue 01954 780260)

Olive Tree Coffee Morning Saturday 21 April 10:30 -11:30 am in the Meetings Room

Bring Your Own Craft Group Saturday 28 April 2:15—4:30 pm in the Octagon

(Contact Karen 01954 781085)

Knit & Natter every Thursday 1:15 - 3:00 pm in the Octagon (Contact Sue 01954 780260)

Coffee Stop every Wednesday 10 am - noon in the Library (Contact Sue 01954 780260)

Art Group every Wednesday 1:30 - 4:00 pm in the Church (Contact Jan 01954 201495)

### Church Contacts

|               |                                                                                                                                                                    |              |                             |
|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Church Office | Linda King                                                                                                                                                         | 01954 206120 | office@barhillchurch.org.uk |
| Minister      | Rev. Charles Mather                                                                                                                                                | 01954 277119 | charlesmather20@yahoo.com   |
| Address       | Bar Hill Church Centre, Hanover Close, Bar Hill, Cambridge CB23 8EH                                                                                                |              |                             |
| Website       | <a href="http://barhillchurch.org.uk">http://barhillchurch.org.uk</a> Facebook <a href="https://facebook.com/barhillchurch">https://facebook.com/barhillchurch</a> |              |                             |



— Bar Hill Church —

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**Holiday Club 2018**

drama

games

fun & friends

Bible stories



**Team Builders**

Monday 23rd July — Friday 27th July 9:30 am — 1:00 pm

For primary school age children (5-11)

Provisional cost £20

For more information about Holiday Club 2018

or to request an application form

Please contact [cypadmin@barhillchurch.org.uk](mailto:cypadmin@barhillchurch.org.uk)

Or download from <http://barhillchurch.org.uk/holidayclub.html>

— Catholic Church —

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**The Catholic Church serving Bar Hill**

Hills Road, Cambridge

Parish Priest: Rt. Rev. Mgr Eugene Canon Harkness

Tel: 01223 350787

Local contact: Bunty Waters

Tel: 01954 201421

Mon., Weds., Thurs., Friday

8am & 12.15pm

Tuesday

8am & 7.30pm

Saturday

6pm: First Mass of Sundays

Masses in the Parish Church in Cambridge; also 5pm at

Cambourne and 6pm at The Octagon, Bar Hill.

Holydays of Obligation

8am, 10am, 7.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday

6.45pm (not after Mass)

Saturday 10.30–11.15am, 4.30–5.15pm, 7.00–7.45pm

Details of other services are published in a weekly  
newsletter available at the 6pm Mass each Saturday.

Copies are also available in the Church Centre.

**Home Visits**

I am happy to bring communion to house bound Catholics. I also visit people at the end of their lives, of any religion or none, who would welcome support or are distressed spiritually.

Contact Jean: 07841 397338, Catholic Eucharistic Minister.  
Associate Member of the Hospice Chaplaincy Team.

**INDOOR CARPET BOWLS**

We are a mixed group who meet in the school on Friday evenings during term time from 7.30–10.00pm with a ½-hour break for refreshment – all for £1.50 each evening you play.

We do not play in any leagues so even if you have never played before do not be put off. Why not come along and join us on any Friday evening with your 1st session being free?

We look forward to welcoming you.

If you require any further details please contact Barbara on 01954 204171.



### — BAR HILL VILLAGE HALL —

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*During the week we have the following groups and clubs:*

|       |                                          |               |
|-------|------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Mon.  | Helene Taylor-Todd School of Dance       | 4–6pm         |
|       | (school term time only)                  |               |
| Mon.  | Craig Burns Bootcamp                     | 6.15–7.15pm   |
| Mon.  | Martial Arts                             | 7.30–9pm      |
| Tues. | Shotokan Karate                          | 6–8pm         |
| Wed.  | Helene Taylor-Todd School of Dance       | 4–6.45pm      |
| Wed.  | Danielle Fitness Classes Zumba & Pilates | 7–9pm         |
| Thur. | Pilates (school term time only)          | 10–11am       |
| Thur. | Weightwatchers                           | 7–7.50pm      |
| Fri.  | Baby Sensory                             | 10.30–12.30pm |
| Fri.  | Martial Arts                             | 7.30–9pm      |
| Sun.  | Bingo (doors open 7pm) Cash prizes       | 7.30–9pm      |

If you wish to book any of these facilities, or get more information, please call 01954 782414 and leave a clear message. We'll call back within 24 hours (Monday to Friday); or e-mail [barhill.villagehall@btconnect.com](mailto:barhill.villagehall@btconnect.com)

### — BAR HILL POST OFFICE —

We are located in Bar Hill Library, open 9am–5.30pm Monday to Friday and 9am–12.30pm Saturday. We offer Royal Mail and ParcelForce services for all your posting needs. Ask our friendly, helpful staff for advice to make sure you're using the right service.

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or: [leehoneybourne406@btinternet.com](mailto:leehoneybourne406@btinternet.com)

### — BAR HILL SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB —

The Sports and Social Club is situated on the top floor of the Village Hall. You can watch live sports on our two large HD TV screens, play pool, darts, skittles, cribbage, or enjoy a drink in our quiet lounge bar.



A freshly cooked Sunday roast is available every other Sunday, please pre-book. Non-members welcome just give us a call 01954 781881. Next ones: 1st, 15th, 29th April. Weekend Bar staff required – experience desirable.

**What's on...**

30 Mar. Good Friday – singer Nicole Lawrence and cocktails

31 Mar. membership draw

Easter Day 1st April Egg hunt from 2pm; Karaoke from 8pm

Easter opening – Good Friday, Saturday and Easter Sunday: 12-12; Bank holiday Monday: 12-11pm

We also have a trip to Lille and Brugge Christmas markets 2018 – come and get an information pack.

**Not a Member?**

The new membership starts on the 1st December. Please ask the bar staff for a membership form.

For further information, visit our website: [www.bhssc.org.uk](http://www.bhssc.org.uk) or join us on Facebook at Bar Hill Sports & Social Club.

### OVER SURGERY NEWS

[www.oversurgery.nhs.uk](http://www.oversurgery.nhs.uk)

**Welcome – new staff**

- We would like to introduce Dr Zahar Fatima who is working with us as a GP registrar for the next six months.
- We are delighted that Kirsty Cooper will be starting on 9th April as a practice nurse, she was formerly working with the community nursing team.
- We are also delighted to welcome Joanna Dzionek joining as an accuracy checking technician in the pharmacy on 16th April.

We will now be fully staffed in all areas and have a great team!

**Cake Bake – Alzheimers**

Well done to the pharmacy staff for raising £110 for the Alzheimers Society with their cake bake sale which was held on 8th/9th March.

**Pneumococcal Vaccination**

If you are 65 years or over and have never received a pneumococcal vaccination please contact the surgery to book an appointment. Please note that the pneumococcal vaccination is only given once to over 65's not annually. Some patients may have a medical condition which puts them at risk so may also be eligible, we will be notifying these patients by SMS message, or by letter.

**Dr Gillard's donations**

Following a water leak from the drinking machine over the Christmas period we are now replacing the waiting room carpet. We hope that this will now be fitted in the next few weeks and we will then be able to complete the new children's area using some of the money agreed from Dr Gillard's donations.

Pictures are still being sought for the newly decorated corridor.

If you find a tradesman in the Bar Hill News, please tell them when you book a service or appointment.



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